

**The Urban District of Normanton**



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**Annual Health Report**

**For the Year 1963**

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Divisional Public Health Office,  
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Castleford.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour of presenting to you my seventeenth Annual Report, being a report on the health of your district for the year 1963.

#### Brief Comments

The Birth Rate shows a most appreciable increase and now for the first time since 1957 has risen higher than the National Average, but, after last year's fall below the England and Wales rate, the Still Birth Rate was once again higher than that for the Country as a whole.

The Death Rate has increased slightly and still remains higher than the rate for England and Wales. The number of deaths from lung cancer increased from 7 in 1962 to 13 in 1963, while coronary disease and angina accounted for 50 deaths in 1963 compared with 37 in 1962.

The fact that we have had no case of diphtheria since 1949 and no case of poliomyelitis since 1959 continues to prove the effectiveness of our immunisation campaign and here I would stress once more that these two dreaded diseases will again re-appear should parents ever become apathetic towards the protective measures available.

The local Home Safety Committee continued its activities during the year. This is a purely voluntary Committee, holding monthly meetings and its members represent a large and varied number of bodies in the community. It was inaugurated in October, 1960 and its main activity over the years has been the organisation of publicity campaigns and exhibitions designed to impress upon the public the need for greater care in order to prevent the increasing number of accidents in the home.

The Committee is supported by an annual grant of £15 per year from the W.R.C.C. and in addition the County Authority supply demonstration models, posters and leaflets. A further welcome grant of £20 was also made by your Committee during the year.

I should like to express my appreciation to all departments of the Council and to the professional and clerical staff of the Divisional Health Office for their valued help and co-operation during the year.

In conclusion may I thank the Chairman of the Public Health Committee and all members of the Council for their help and courteous reception throughout the year.

Yours faithfully,

J. M. PATERSON.

Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION I (Part I)Statistics and Social Conditions  
of the Area

Area (Acres) .....	3,061
Population (Estimated R.G.) .....	18,490
Number of inhabited houses (1938) ....	5,015
Number of inhabited houses (1963) ....	6,089
Rateable Value .....	£325,375
Sum represented by a Penny Rate .....	£1,250
Density of Population .....	6.0 per acre.

The Urban District is divided into four wards, namely:-

Normanton  
Common  
Woodhouse  
Altofts

SUMMARY OF VITAL STATISTICSComparability Factors

Births - 1.02

Deaths - 1.19

	Male	Female	Total	
<u>Live Births</u>				Birth rate per 1,000 estimated
Legitimate	189	150	339	Home Population: 18.9
Illegitimate	6	5	11	(corrected 19.3)
<u>Still Births</u>				Still Birth rate per 1,000
Legitimate	4	3	7	Live and Still Births: 19.6
Illegitimate	-	-	-	
<u>Total Births</u>				
Legitimate	193	153	346	
Illegitimate	6	5	11	
<u>Deaths</u>	125	84	209	Death Rate per 1,000 estimated
				Home Population - 11.3
				(corrected 13.5)

LIVE BIRTH RATES (per 1,000 Home Population)

	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
Live Birth Rate for Normanton (corrected for age and sex distribution)	15.2	16.4	16.8	16.6	16.7	19.3
Live Birth Rate for England and Wales	16.7	16.5	17.1	17.4	18.0	18.2
Live Birth Rate for the West Riding Administrative County.	16.7	16.5	16.9	17.4	17.8	18.3



# STILL BIRTH RATES (per 1,000 Live and Still Births)

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	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>
Still Birth Rate for Normanton	27.5	19.3	15.7	22.4	15.9	19.6
Still Birth Rate for England and Wales	21.6	20.7	19.7	18.7	18.1	17.3

## INFANTILE MORTALITY

The Infantile Mortality rate is the number of deaths of infants under one year per 1,000 registered live births.

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>
Number of Deaths	6	7	7	10
Death Rate of all infants per 1,000 Live Births	19	23	23	29
Death Rate of legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	20	24	24	30
Death Rate of illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	-	-	-	-
Death Rate for England and Wales	22	21	21	21
Death Rate for the West Riding Administrative County	23	25	23	23

Of the 10 deaths which took place of children under one year of age, 5 of them were males and 5 were females. On investigation the causes of death were shown to be as follows:

Inhalation of vomit - 1	Prematurity - 4
Pneumonia - 3	Asphyxia neonatorum - 1
Brain injury - 1	

The age groups at which death occurred were:-

<u>0 - 24 hours</u>	<u>1 - 7 days</u>	<u>1 - 4 weeks</u>	<u>1 - 12 months</u>
6	2	-	2

## NEO-NATAL MORTALITY

The neo-natal mortality rate is the number of deaths of infants under four weeks of age per 1,000 live births.

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>
Number of Deaths	5	6	7	8
Death Rate of all infants per 1,000 Live Births	16.0	19.7	22.7	22.9
Death Rate for England and Wales	15.6	15.5	15.1	14.2

EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births	No.	8
	Rate	22.9

PERINATAL MORTALITY

Stillbirths and deaths of infants under 1 week per 1,000 Live and Still Births	No.	15
	Rate	42.0

PREMATURE BIRTHS

Table showing details of the premature infants born in the area during 1963

Birth Weight	TOTAL BORN				No. who died under 28 days.		No. sur- vived 28 days
	DEAD		ALIVE		at home	in hospit	
	at home	in hospital	at home	in hospital			
Under 3 lbs.	-	2	-	1	-	3	-
3 - 4 lbs.	-	1	-	3	-	3	1
4 - 5½ lbs.	-	2	2	21	-	4	21
TOTAL	-	5	2	25	-	10	22

DEATH RATES (per 1,000 Home Population

	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
Death Rate for Normanton (corrected for age and sex distribution)	11.5	12.4	13.1	14.6	13.1	13.5
Death Rate for England and Wales	11.7	11.6	11.5	12.0	11.9	12.2
Death Rate for the West Riding Administrative County	11.9	11.6	11.5	13.4	13.3	12.0

CRUDE RATES FOR NORMANTON

	1961	1962	1963
All Causes . . . . .	12.1	10.9	11.3
Tuberculosis, respiratory . . . . .	0.11	0.05	0.11
Tuberculosis, other forms . . . . .	0.00	0.00	0.00
All forms of tuberculosis . . . . .	0.11	0.05	0.11
Cancer of the lungs and bronchus . . . . .	0.49	0.38	0.70
All forms of cancer . . . . .	2.01	2.43	2.22
Vascular lesions of the nervous system . . . . .	1.74	1.35	1.46
Coronary disease and angina . . . . .	2.67	2.00	2.70
Heart and circulatory, all forms . . . . .	4.24	3.40	3.62
Pneumonia . . . . .	0.76	0.76	0.76
Respiratory diseases, all forms . . . . .	2.07	1.62	1.57



CAUSES OF DEATH (figures taken  
from Registrar General's Tables)

	1961			1962			1963		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Tuberculosis, respiratory	2	-	2	1	-	1	2	-	2
Other forms of tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilitic disease	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal infections	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other infectious and parasitic diseases	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm, lung and bronchus	9	-	9	7	-	7	13	-	13
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	8	2	10	4	1	5	2	2	4
Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	1	1	-	4	4	-	5	5
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	3	3	-	1	1	-	2	2
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	8	6	14	11	14	25	8	7	15
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	-	-	-	1	2	3	1	1	2
Diabetes	-	-	-	3	-	3	1	2	3
Vascular lesions of nervous system	12	20	32	10	15	25	15	12	27
Coronary disease, angina	30	19	49	22	15	37	31	19	50
Hypertension with heart disease	1	3	4	4	3	7	2	-	2
carried forward	71	54	115	64	56	120	75	51	126

	1961			1962			1963		
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total
Brought forward	71	54	115	64	56	120	75	51	126
Other heart diseases	9	10	19	4	11	15	5	5	10
Other circulatory diseases	-	6	6	2	2	4	4	1	5
Influenza	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2
Pneumonia	8	6	14	4	10	14	9	5	14
Bronchitis	17	6	23	11	3	14	6	7	13
Other diseases of respiratory system	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	3	-	3	2	1	3	1	-	1
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1
Nephritis and nephrosis	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congenital malformations	1	1	2	-	3	3	-	1	1
Other defined and ill- defined diseases	9	10	19	8	8	16	13	8	21
Motor vehicle accidents	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	2
All other accidents	4	1	5	4	-	4	6	3	9
Suicide	3	-	3	3	-	3	-	2	2
Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
TOTALS	128	95	223	106	95	201	125	84	209

COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL DATA FOR THE PERIOD 1954 - 1963 INCLUSIVE

Year	Corrected Birth Rate	Corrected Death Rate	Infant-Mortality Rate	Maternal Mortality Rate	Cancer Death Rate	Tuberculosis Death Rate		Number of cases of:-			Actual number of deaths from:-			
						Pul.	Non-Pul.	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria	Polio-myelitis	Pneumonia	Bronchitis	Cancer of lung & bronchus	Coronary disease & aorta
1954	15.4	12.3	17	-	1.92	0.21	-	28	-	-	7	21	7	37
1955	14.3	11.8	30	-	1.93	0.21	-	5	-	-	10	23	8	26
1956	16.3	12.2	23	3.22	1.99	0.16	0.06	15	-	2	8	14	12	26
1957	16.9	12.3	38	-	1.51	0.05	-	54	-	-	3	15	2	35
1958	15.2	11.5	18	-	1.35	0.22	0.05	42	-	6	4	13	2	35
1959	16.4	12.3	16	-	1.72	0.05	-	121	-	1	8	15	4	42
1960	16.8	13.1	19	3.14	2.31	0.16	-	33	-	-	6	10	5	35
1961	16.6	14.6	23	-	2.01	0.11	-	15	-	-	14	23	9	49
1962	16.7	13.1	23	-	2.43	0.05	-	14	-	-	14	14	7	37
1963	19.3	13.5	29	-	2.22	0.11	-	-	-	-	14	13	13	50



## NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1963 IN AGE GROUPS

Notified Disease	Under 1 year	1 - 2 years	3 - 4 years	5 - 9 years	10-14 years	15-24 years	24 & over	No Age	Total	Removed to Hospital
Measles	28	169	195	187	14	2	-	-	595	1
Whooping Cough	1	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	6	2
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	-	-	4	11	-	-	-	-	15	-
Polionyelitis: Paralytic Non-paralytic	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -

Notified Disease	0 - 5 years	5 - 14 years	15-44 years	45-64 years	65 & over	No Age	Total	Removed to Hospital
Dysentery	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Pneumonia	13	7	16	13	9	-	58	-
Puerperial Pyrexia	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE SHOWING NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES RECEIVED 1954 - 1963

Year	Measles	Whooping Cough	Scarlet Fever	Polio- myelitis	Dysentery	Pneumonia	Food Poisoning
1954	7	57	28	-	-	40	-
1955	423	4	5	-	38	38	2
1956	193	90	15	2	34	62	5
1957	241	9	54	-	11	38	13
1958	192	29	42	6	28	24	1
1959	169	30	121	1	9	3	13
1960	76	77	33	-	11	15	1
1961	632	21	15	-	78	37	1
1962	70	12	14	-	2	25	1
1963	595	6	15	-	1	58	-

## TUBERCULOSIS SERVICES

Clinical facilities are available both at Wakefield and Pontefract and a Tuberculosis Health Visitor is employed, one of whose duties it is to carry out regular home supervision of all patients on the register.

Free milk is provided by the County Council at the discretion of the Divisional Medical Officer in conjunction with a recommendation by the Consultant Chest Physician in charge of the Clinic.

Total notifica- tions: 5	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
At all ages	5	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 - 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 35	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 45	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 65	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Over 65	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-

All close contacts of Tuberculosis must be examined at a chest clinic to find the source of infection and others suffering from the disease. This is particularly needful in the case of school children and calls for the examination of school contacts.

Ratio of contacts seen and examined by the Chest Physician relative to number of cases notified.

Year	No. of actual cases notified	No. of contacts found and examined	Ratio of cases notified to contacts examined
1962	3	12	4 to 1
1963	5	10	2 to 1

Of the 10 contacts who were examined  
no cases of active tuberculosis were found.



Table showing numbers on register and  
Deaths from Tuberculosis, 1954 - 1963

Year	Number on Register		Number of Deaths	
	Pulmonary	Non-pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-pulmonary
1954	82	18	4	-
1955	83	18	4	-
1956	86	21	1	1
1957	84	18	1	-
1958	80	14	4	1
1959	78	11	1	-
1960	73	5	3	-
1961	72	5	2	-
1962	62	4	1	-
1963	62	3	2	-

Comparison between number on  
Tuberculosis Register in 1962 and 1963

	1962			1963		
	Pulmonary	Non-pulmonary	Total	Pulmonary	Non-pulmonary	Total
Number of cases on Register 1st. Jan.	72	5	77	62	4	66
New cases notified during the year	2	-	2	5	-	5
Restored to Register	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transferred from other areas	1	-	1	-	-	-
TOTALS	75	5	80	67	4	71
Number of cases removed from Register during the year	13	1	14	5	1	6
Number of cases left on Register at end of year	62	4	66	62	3	65

SECTION II (part 1)SERVICES ADMINISTERED BY THE WEST RIDING  
COUNTY COUNCILCLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRESInfant Welfare Centres

No. of sessions during year	Attendances				Total Children Attending
	Born in 1963	Avg. per session	Born 1958 - 1962	Avg. per session	
434	19926	54.9	3926	9.0	2129

Ante-Natal Clinics

No. of sessions during year	No. of attendances	Avg. per session	Total patients attending
129	998	7.7	240

Relaxation Clinics

No. of patients attending	148
No. of attendances	858

Minor Ailments Clinics

No. of sessions held	456
No. of children attending	517
No. of attendances	725

Ophthalmic Clinics

No. of sessions held	45
No. of children attending	796
No. of attendances	918
No. prescribed spectacles	387

Orthopaedic Clinics

No. of sessions held	4
No. of children attending	31
No. of attendances	43

Paediatric Clinics

No. of sessions held	4
No. of children attending	29
No. of attendances	41

Ultra-Violet Light Clinics

No. of sessions held	97
No. of children attending	62
No. of attendances	1056

Ear, Nose and Throat Clinics

No. of sessions held	15
No. of children attending	13
No. of attendances	22

Speech Therapy Clinics

No. of sessions held	Nil
No. of children attending	Nil

SECTION II (part 2)NURSING SERVICESHome Nursing Service

Total Cases	1091
Total Visits	29611

Average visit load per home nurse	3053
Average accepted visit load per home nurse	3000

Midwifery Service

No. of patients delivered in hospitals	729 (68%)
No. of patients delivered by domiciliary midwives	<u>329 (32%)</u>
	<u>1058</u>

No. of domiciliary confinements delivered under Gas and Air Analgesia	Nil (0%)
No. of domiciliary confinements delivered under Trilene Analgesia	280 (85%)

Health Visiting Service

Number of effective visits made by Health Visitors to:

Expectant mothers	1152
Children born in 1963	4996
Children born in 1962	2370
Children born 1958 - 1961	3107
Tuberculous households	5
Others	10951
Visits made by T.B. Health Visitor	1896

TOTAL VISITS	<u>24477</u>
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No. of children under 5 years visited 3325



SECTION II (part 3)HOME HELP SERVICE

During the year the equivalent of 41.25 full time Home Helps were employed in the Division.

<u>Type of case</u>	<u>No. of cases</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Hours as Percentage of Total</u>
Maternity	18	879	0.9%
Chronic Sick and Tuberculosis	109	7520	8.0%
Aged 65 and over	677	84036	89.6%
Others	27	1364	1.5%
Mentally Disordered	Nil	Nil	0.0%
	831	93799	100.0%

SECTION II (part 4)LIAISON WITH HOSPITAL SERVICESPREVENTION OF ILLNESS - CARE AND AFTER CARELIAISON SCHEMES

The four main liaison services, Spastics, Diabetic, Geriatric and Maternity, have continued as in previous years and have proved most useful and helpful to all concerned.

SECTION II (part 5)TRAINING CENTRE FOR THE MENTALLY DERECTIVE

Twelve trainees were admitted throughout the year so that by the end of December there were 30 from Castleford and Normanton, 32 from Pontefract, 6 from Wetherby and 2 from Rothwell and for the first time in our history the waiting list was cleared.

SECTION II (part 6)

A programme of six-weekly displays of different aspects of health education was drawn up for Child Welfare Clinics at the beginning of the year and these displays have now been accepted as part of the facilities of the clinics. Midwives, in addition to teaching ante-natal exercises during ante-natal classes give talks on ante-natal care and labour and the puerperium, supporting their talks with film strips and sound films. Discussions followed the talks and the expectant mothers were very receptive and appreciative of the instructions given. Leaflets and literature were supplied to schools and talks were given by members of the Health Department Staff. The main subjects covered were food hygiene, personal hygiene and demonstrations of baby bathing and feeding.

SECTION II (part 7)SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICEPeriodic Inspections

Year of Birth	No. of pupils inspected	Physical condition of pupils inspected	
		Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
1959 and later	207	206	1
1958	450	449	1
1957	351	349	2
1956	116	116	-
1955	520	515	5
1954	306	304	2
1953	39	38	1
1952	505	504	1
1951	516	514	2
1950	138	137	1
1949	604	598	6
1948 & earlier	700	696	4
TOTALS	4452	4426	26

Other Inspections

Special - 1264

Re-inspections - 36

Cleanliness Inspections

Routine cleanliness inspections are carried out at every school periodically by Health Visitors. During 1963 individual examinations totalled 24025, out of which 433 (1.8%) cases of uncleanness were found.

## SECTION II (part 8)

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATIONB.C.G. Vaccination

	1963	
No. of 13 year old children on school register at beginning of year plus absentees from previous years		1290
No. offered tuberculin testing and vaccination if necessary		1290
No. of acceptances		1073
No. tested		1056
No. found positive (i.e. had already been in contact with germ of tuberculosis)	237	
No. negative	811	
No. not ascertained	8	1056
No. vaccinated		810
Percentage of children who have been in contact with tuberculosis and discovered during the year.		22%
Percentage of children who have presumably never been in contact with tuberculosis and were discovered during the year.		78%

Diphtheria Immunisation

The following table shows the immunisations carried out during the year.

Primary		Refresher	
0 - 4	5 - 15	0 - 4	5 - 15
1009	578	2	988

Vaccination against Poliomyelitis

The following list shows the number of adults and children who received vaccination during the year:

Children aged 6 months - 15 years

Number who completed a primary course	676
Number who received 1st booster	44
Number who received 2nd booster	351

Adults 15 years to 40 years

Number who completed primary course	51
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Vaccination against Whooping CoughNumber Vaccinated

Under 1 year	1 - 2 years	2 - 3 years	3 - 4 years	4 - 5 yrs	Total
321	591	67	12	14	1005

Vaccination against SmallpoxNumber Vaccinated

	Up to 1 yr.	1 year	2 - 4 years	5 - 15 years	Total
Vaccinated	64	22	14	32	140)
Re-vaccinated	-	-	1	5	6) 146

SECTION IIIGENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE HEALTH SERVICESA. HOSPITALS

The hospital facilities available within the Normanton Urban District remain as follows.

General Hospital Accommodation All hospitals providing facilities for cases from the Normanton Urban District are managed by the Pontefract or Wakefield Hospital Management Committees under the administration of the Leeds Regional Hospital Board. These hospitals are situated in Wakefield, Pontefract and Castleford. Additional facilities are also provided in Leeds.

Maternity Hospitals and Maternity Homes The booking of beds for expectant mothers at the Castleford Maternity Home is carried out through the Divisional Health Office on an agency basis. Abnormal cases are referred by their own general practitioners, either for direct booking or as emergency cases to Manygates Maternity Hospital, Wakefield.

Isolation Hospitals Any case of acute poliomyelitis is normally admitted to Seacroft Hospital at Leeds, while patients suffering from other infectious diseases are admitted to either the same hospital or more generally to the Burntwood Hospital, Brierley.

B. AMBULANCE SERVICE

The West Riding County Council provides the ambulance service for the Normanton district and the local depot is situated in Snawthorne Lane, Castleford, telephone number Castleford 2281.

C. LABORATORY FACILITIES

The Medical Research Council of the Ministry of Health is responsible for the administration of the Public Health Laboratory at Wood Street, Wakefield. Specimens for bacteriological, virological, entomological and chemical investigations are accepted by the Laboratory from general practitioners and Public Health Department staff.



# **The Urban District of Normanton**



## **Annual Report**

**OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR**

**For the Year 1963**

**Public Health Inspector:**

**F. WILSON, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H., A.M. Inst. P.C.**





ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR  
ON THE WORK OF HIS DEPARTMENT  
FOR THE YEAR 1963

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To the Chairman and Members of the  
Urban District Council of Normanton

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting to you my Annual Report on the Sanitary and Cleansing Services for the year 1963. The report on Sanitary Administration covers the year ending 31st December, 1963, whilst the Cleansing Section is for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1964.

Much routine work was done during the year under the Public Health Acts and as a result considerable amount of repairs were carried out.

Many improvement and standard grant applications were made during the year, in the main by owner-occupiers, and the Council continued to help in these cases as much as possible, whilst deploring at the same time the failure of landlords to take advantage of these grants.

With regard to Slum Clearance this was resumed and two Clearance Areas were declared by the Council during the year, and many inspections were carried out with regard to future large Slum Clearance Areas. Reports on these however, were not submitted to the Council by the end of the year.

The Meat inspection Regulations came into operation on 1st October, 1963, and the Council decided to make no charge for a **provisional** period of 3 months. We have always in Normanton maintained 100% inspection and this of course continued although more overtime had to be worked.

The specialist inspection in respect of cysticercus bovis during the year only yielded one case although constant diligence is continuing in this connection.

The number of animals slaughtered in the two private slaughterhouses continued to be high much meat being "exported", to surrounding areas.

Salvage sales were maintained at their previous high level in spite of **difficult** conditions.

## PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOUSING ACTS

A considerable proportion of the work of my department is still devoted to the elimination of nuisances, sanitary defects and housing repairs generally.

The following is a summary of the work in this connection:-

Total number of Nuisance Inspections made ..	906
Total number of Inspections made.....	3031
Total number of houses inspected under Public Health and Housing Acts .....	824
Total number of Informal Notices served ....	509
Total number of Statutory Notices served Public Health Act .....	184

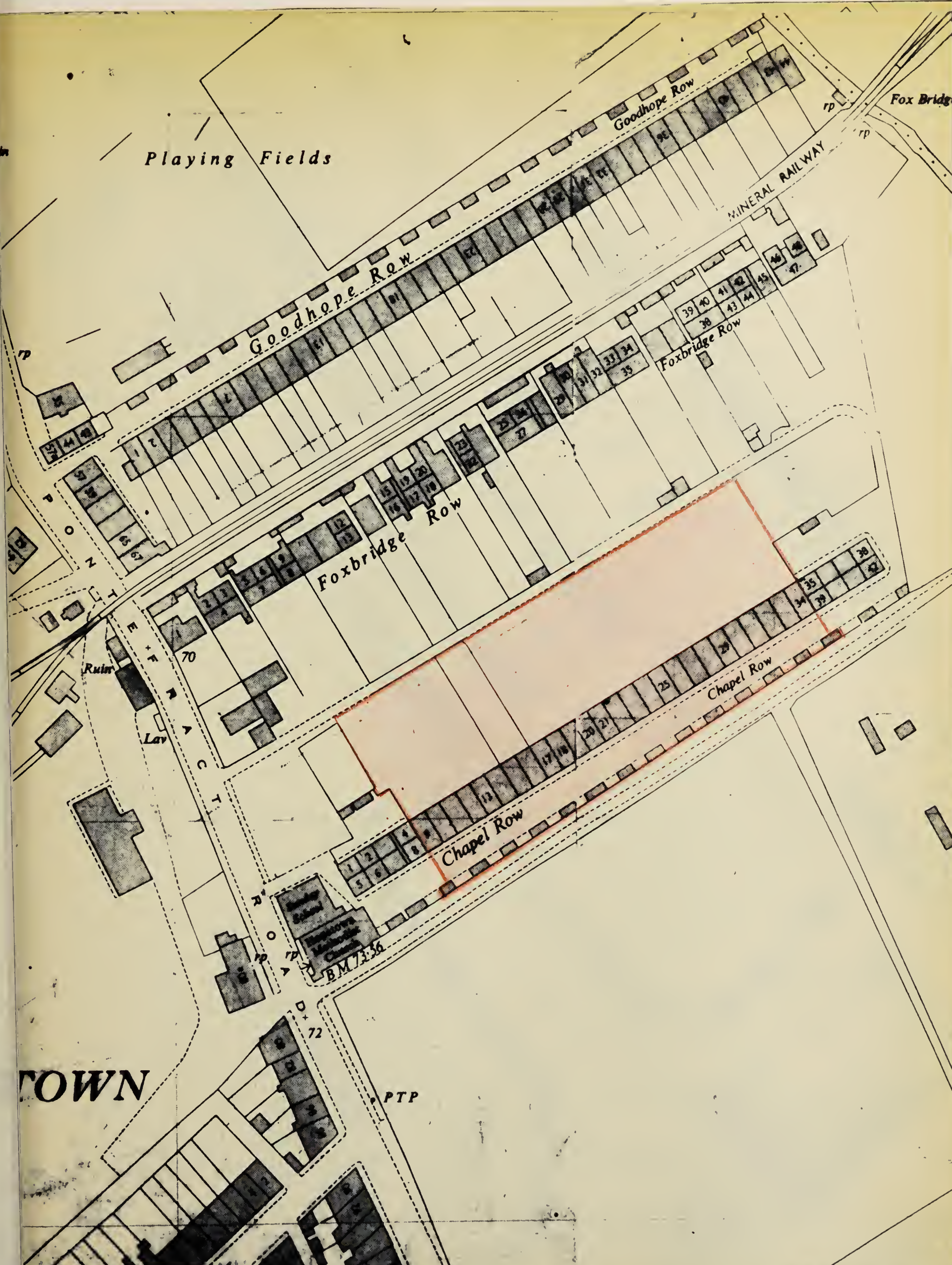
These were split up as follows:-

Section 39 Notices .....	5
Section 45 Notices .....	68
Section 75 Notices .....	36
Section 83 Notices .....	61

Total	<hr/> 170 <hr/>
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Section 93 Final Notices .....	14
Nuisances outstanding end of 1962 .....	78
Nuisances found 1963 .....	697
Total needing abatement .....	775
Abated during 1963 .....	693
Outstanding end of 1962 .....	82
Notices served under Section 9 of the Housing Act. 1957 .....	Nil
Notices under Section 9 complied with by the Local Authority in default of owners .....	Nil
Public Health Act 1961 (Section 26) ...	13
Public Health Act 1961 (Section 17) ...	5





Playing Fields

Goodhope Row

Fox Bridge

MINERAL RAILWAY

Goodhope Row

Foxbridge Row

Foxbridge Row

Chapel Row

Chapel Row

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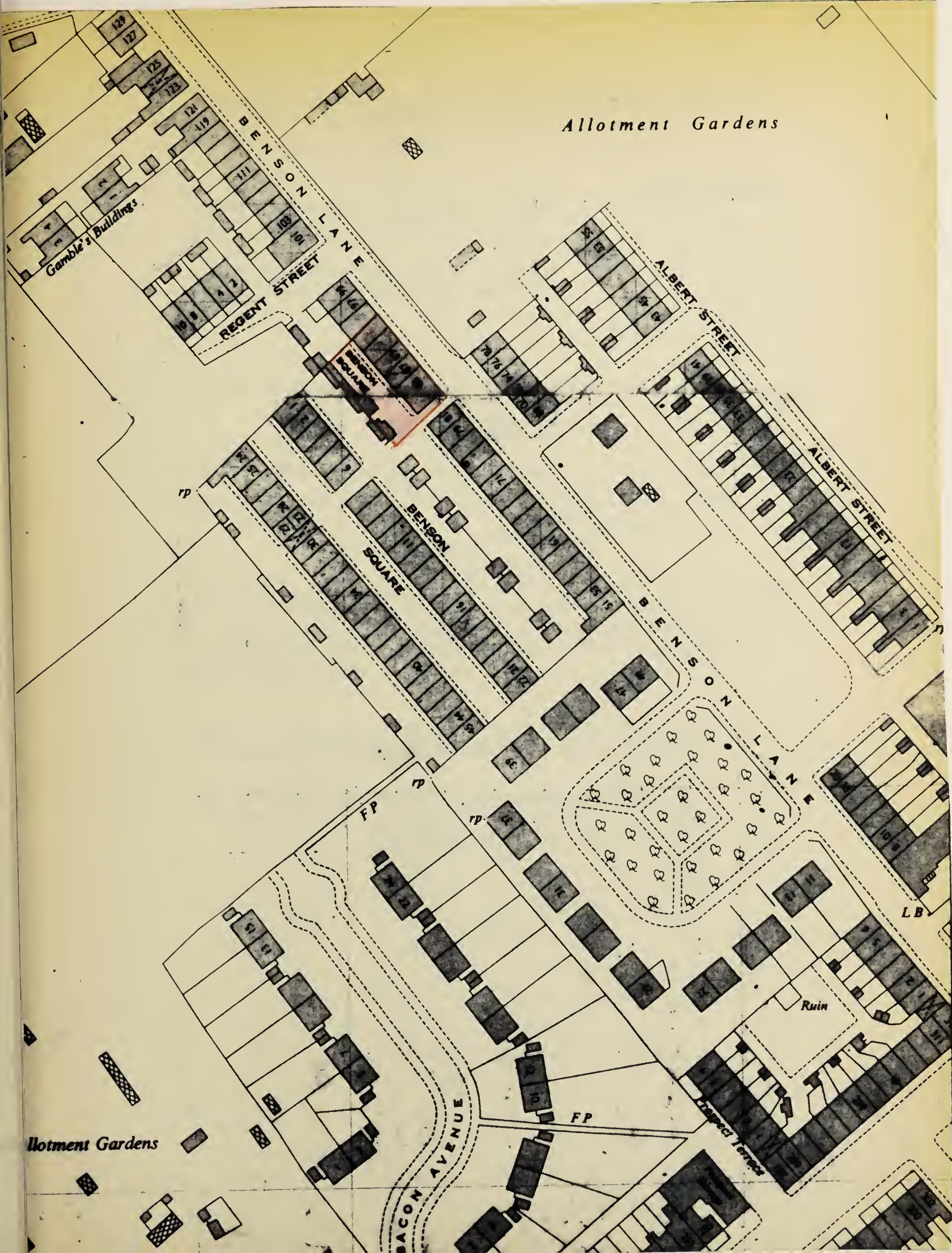
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TOWN





Alotment Gardens







During the year Slum Clearance was resumed and Compulsory Purchase Orders were declared by the Council in respect of the following 2 Clearance Areas:-

	<u>No. of Houses</u>
Urban District of Normanton - Chapel Row - (No. 61) Clearance Area 1963	26
Urban District of Normanton - Benson Lane - (No. 62) Clearance Area 1963	6
Total	<u>32</u>

Plans of these are included in the report.

#### HOUSING STATISTICS

No. of Dwelling Houses in District .....	6089
No. of Houses included in above (a) Back-to-back .	80
(b) Single back .	13

It is very gratifying as more and more houses are demolished to report a reduction of the number of back-to-back houses and single back type of houses which are a carry over from the worse period of the Industrial Revolution when we led the world but condemned our citizens to squalid hovels.

#### Houses in Clearance Areas and Unfit Houses Elsewhere

No. of houses included in Representations made during the year (a) in Clearance Areas .....	86
(b) Individual Unfit Houses .....	1

	Number of Houses	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
A.1. HOUSES DEMOLISHED In Clearance Areas			
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation	18	78	28
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc.	-	-	-
Not in Clearance Areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Sections 16 or 17 (1) Housing Act, 1957.	1	-	-
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.	-	-	-
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under Local Acts.	-	-	-
(7) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders.	-	-	-
A.2. NUMBER OF DWELLINGS INCLUDED ABOVE WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS CLOSED	-	-	-
B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED			
(8) Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1), and 35 (1), Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
(9) Under Sections 17 (3) and 26, Housing Act, 1957.	7	-	-
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act, 1957.	-	-	-

C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local authority	366	-
(12) After formal notice under		
(a) Public Health Acts	139	10
(b) Sections 9 and 16, Housing Act, 1957	-	-
(13) Under Section 24, Housing Act, 1957	-	-

D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (Housing Act, 1957)

	Number of Houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1)
Position at end of year	(1)	(2)
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation		
(a) Under Section 48	-	-
(b) Under Section 17 (2)	-	-
(c) Under Section 46	-	-
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Section 34 or 53	-	-

E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT

	Number of Houses	Number of occupants of houses in column (1)
(16) Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders, purchased in the year.	(1)	(2)
	-	-

4. No. of families rehoused during the year into Council owned dwellings.	(a) Clearance Areas, etc.	28
	(b) Overcrowding	32

5. RENT ACT, 1957

- (a) No. of certificates of disrepair granted ..... 1
- (b) No. of undertakings to execute repairs given by owners  
to the local authority ..... 1
- (c) No. of certificates of disrepair cancelled ..... Nil

6. OVERCROWDING

Survey carried out in 1935. Now out of date.

It seems ridiculous in those days when Town Planners are demanding more space for almost all development, that there is kept in being out dated legislation introduced by the Housing Act, 1935, some 28 years ago regarding overcrowding, a standard which asked only for the minimum amount of space for each person in that basic family unit the home.

7. NEW DWELLINGS

No. of new dwellings completed during the year:-

By the Local Authority ..... 30 By Private Enterprise ..... 9

8. GRANTS FOR CONVERSION OR IMPROVEMENT OF HOUSING ACCOMMODATION

	Formal applications received during the year	Applications approved during the year	Number of dwellings completed during year
	Number of dwellings	Number of dwellings	
(a) CONVERSIONS (The number of dwellings is the number resulting from completion of the work)	Nil	Nil	Nil
(b) IMPROVEMENTS			
Discretionary	32	31	22
Standard	34	34	31



No. of Council Houses:-

(a) traditional type houses .....	1506
(b) prefabricated type houses .....	200
(c) old persons flatlets .....	26
caretakers flat. ....	1

REPAIRS

The following is the list of work carried out during the year as a result of notices served:-

Roofs repaired .....	46
Chimney stacks repaired or re-built .....	2
Verge fillets repaired or renewed .....	2
Chimney pots replaced .....	4
Flashings to chimneys repaired or renewed .....	2
Chimney flues repaired or re-constructed .....	11
Eavesgutters cleared, repaired or renewed .....	18
Rainwater pipes repaired or renewed .....	8
Gratings provided to gullies .....	1
Dampness to walls remedied .....	16
House walls repaired or re-built .....	23
Skylights repaired or renewed .....	Nil
Ventilation bricks provided to walls.....	3
Doors and frames repaired or renewed .....	29
Weatherbars provided or repaired .....	2
Door steps renewed .....	2
Windows repaired, re-hung or replaced .....	17
Sashcords replaced .....	11
Window heads repaired or renewed .....	1
Kitchen ranges ..... repaired or renewed .....	17
Ovens repaired or renewed .....	2
Sitting room firegrates repaired or renewed .....	3
Bedroom firegrates repaired or renewed .....	2
Firebacks repaired or renewed .....	7
Setpots repaired or renewed .....	1
Ventilated food stores provided .....	1
Plasterwork of walls and ceilings repaired or renewed .....	29
Floors repaired or renewed .....	7
Wash-hand basins renewed .....	Nil
Sinks renewed or re-fixed .....	16
Broken and defective sink waste pipes renewed .....	2
Staircase re-constructed or repaired .....	1
Dustbins renewed .....	52
Coal store roofs repaired .....	2
Coal store doors repaired .....	2
Coal store walls repaired .....	2

Cellar grates renewed .....	1
A sufficient supply of water provided to dwelling house .....	5
New taps provided .....	1
W.C. roofs repaired .....	3
W.C. doors repaired or renewed .....	4
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed .....	15
W.C. pedestal basins renewed .....	4
W.C. seats repaired or renewed .....	3
W.C. walls repaired or re-built .....	1
Defective connections between W.C. basin and flush pipe repaired .	6
No. of premises provided with adequate sanitary accommodation for public use .....	Nil
Burst W.C. pipes repaired or renewed .....	36
Stopped W.C. drains cleared and repaired .....	2
Defective W.C. drains repaired or re-laid .....	3
Defective surface water drains cleared or repaired .....	3
Leaking yard drains repaired or renewed .....	3
Drainage systems overhauled and re-laid .....	22
Drains cleared .....	346
Vent shafts repaired or renewed .....	1
Yard surfaces repaired or renewed .....	2
W.C. soil pipes repaired or renewed .....	2
Cases of cellar flooding remedied .....	3
Hopper heads cleared, repaired or renewed .....	1
Manhole covers repaired or renewed .....	3
Accumulations of offensive refuse removed .....	2
Dirty and insanitary yards, areas etc. of buildings cleansed .....	3
Dirty or insanitary premises cleansed.....	2
Burst water supply pipes repaired or renewed .....	5
Defective hot water system repaired .....	2
Nuisance from keeping animals abated .....	4
Handrails provided .....	3
Yard walls repaired or re-built .....	2
Yard gates repaired or renewed .....	2
Smoke nuisance .....	5

#### WATER

The whole of the water supply is obtained in bulk from Wakefield and District Water Board. It is filtered and chlorinated by the supplying authority, although owing to the uncoated condition of the mains much of the chlorine is dissipated by the time it arrives in Normanton.

All dwellings in the district are supplied from the water mains (ie. 100%).

No dwellings have a private piped supply.

During the year under review regular routine samples for bacteriological and chemical examination were taken.

	No. of samples submitted	No. Satisfactory
Bacteriological Samples	25	25
Chemical Samples	2	2
Totals	27	27

With the formation of the Wakefield and District Water Board on the 1st October, 1961, local control passed from the hands of the Council and yet another function was taken over by a larger authority. It is however pleasing to realise that the excellent work done by the Council over the years is still with us in the form of the new water mains constructed by the Council, which will no doubt continue to render excellent service to the public of Normanton for many years to come.

#### WATER SUPPLY - PUBLIC SWIMMING BATHS

The water used for filling is from the mains of Wakefield and District Water Board.

Routine samples of water in the Bathing Pool of the Public Swimming Baths, High Street, were submitted during the six months the bath was open (April 8th to October 6th 1963). The details of these are as follows:-



Month	Bacteriological Samples			Chemical Samples	
	No. Obtained	No. Satisfactory	No. Unsatisfactory	No. Obtained	No. Satisfactory
April	-	-	-	-	-
May	2	2	-	-	-
June	-	-	-	-	-
July	6	6	-	1	1
August	4	4	-	-	-
September	4	4	-	1	1
Totals	16	16	-	2	2

A Wallace and Teirman Breakpoint Chlorination Plant is installed and the bath was well maintained at all times. The water was changed in the middle of the swimming season.

The new filters fitted by the Council at the baths in 1961 continued to render excellent service, and the high standards which have been such a characteristic of the baths in Normanton over a considerable number of years were maintained.

#### DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

No. of houses connected to sewers 6058  
 No. of houses with satisfactory private drainage 6  
 All district is sewered. 25 isolated houses are beyond the reach of the sewers but no practical steps can be taken in this direction.

Owing to the effects of Mining Subsidence over the years, the Council has engaged the services of a Consulting Engineer to review the system of sewerage and sewer disposal in the Common Normanton and Woodhouse Wards. It is understood that the Council has in mind to implement the report in sections.

#### SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

No. of houses provided with water closets ..... 6064  
 No. of houses provided with waste water closets 7 waste water (.115%)  
 No. of houses provided with chemical closets 14 (.23%)  
 No. of houses provided with pail closets 4 privies (.066%)  
 No. of earth closets etc. converted to water closets 1  
 No. of houses served with earth closets, etc., due to lack of sewer or water facilities 25



These 25 houses are beyond reach of the sewers which cannot be constructed for practical reasons.

Routine inspections were made under the Agriculture (Safety Health and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956. Conditions were found to be generally satisfactory.

The Council empty all chemical closets without charge and supply chemicals for the closets. This system does function satisfactory and whilst nothing can of course be as good as a water carriage system, this is the next best thing.

Cesspools are emptied by the Karrier Yorkshire combined gully and cesspool emptying machine which is very satisfactory.

#### TESTING

I am responsible for testing all drains in the district to both new and old properties.

342 inspections were made during the year in connection with drainage. The smoke, colour and water tests were used in different cases.

346 drains were cleared by the Council's drain man during the year.

This is a most essential and necessary service in a coal mining district such as Normanton, where the question of mining subsidence is always somewhat of a problem.

#### OFFENSIVE TRADES

The following offensive trades are carried out in the district:-

Tripe Boiler ..... 1

12 inspections were made to these premises during the year. These are on the small side and consist of only one room. However, allowing for this latter factor, the business is fairly well conducted.

#### MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

During the year there were six caravans in the district and twelve inspections were made in connection with these. In addition Showmen's caravans winter in the district.

The Council's site for showmen proved adequate and is well screened from the roadway. The Council of course continue to provide the necessary services for this site.

FACTORIES ACT 1937 and 1948

INSPECTIONS

1. The following inspections were made to Factories by the  
Public Health Inspector:-

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	20	14	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	55	20	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	-	-	-	-
Totals	75	34	-	-

DEFECTS

2. The following improvements were carried out to Factory Premises during the year:-

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H. M. Inspector (5)	
Want of clean- liness (S1)	1	1	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S. 2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperature (S. 3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate Ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2	2	-	-	-

OUTWORKERS

Nature of work (1)	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Sec. 110 (1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices Served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing apparel Making etc.	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cleaning and Washing	-	-	-	-	-	-

The outworker was from a clothing factory employed in connection with the making of wearing apparel. Conditions were satisfactory.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT

The work is carried out by the Part-Time Rodent Operator and the table on the next page gives details of types of infestations dealt with. The figures shown are for the Calendar Year 1963.

Three of the staff were trained in the Ministry Rodent Control Methods, The keeping of animals on allotments are the main source of infestation, although no doubt subsidence is a contributory factor.

Systematic sewer treatments were carried out and in addition the table given below sets out the general work carried out by the department in this connection.



		TYPE OF PROPERTY				
		Non-Agricultural				
		(1) Local Authority	Dwelling Houses (2) (Inc. Council Houses)	All Other (3) (including Business Premises)	(4) Total of Cols. (1) (2) & (3)	(5) Agricultural
I.	Number of properties in Local Authority's District	10	6089	316	6415	19
II.	Total number of properties inspected as a result of notification	-	88	12	100	-
	Number of such properties found to be infested by:-					
	Common rat Major	-	-	-	-	-
	Common rat Minor	-	56	6	62	-
	Ship rat Major	-	-	-	-	-
	Ship rat Minor	-	-	-	-	-
	House mouse Major	-	-	-	-	-
	House mouse Minor	-	32	6	38	-
111.	Total number of <u>properties inspected in the courses of survey under the Act</u>	10	21	47	71	-
	Number of such properties found to be infested by:-	1	-	-	1	-
	Common rat Major	-	-	-	-	-
	Common rat Minor	4	-	-	4	-
	Ship rat Major	-	-	-	-	-
	Ship rat Minor	-	-	-	-	-
	House Mouse Major	-	-	-	-	-
	House Mouse Minor	-	-	-	-	-
1V.	Total number of <u>properties otherwise inspected (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose)</u>	2	10	32	44	-
	Number of such properties found to be infested by:-					
	Common rat Major	-	-	-	-	-
	Common rat Minor	-	-	-	-	-
	Ship rat Major	-	-	-	-	-
	Ship rat Minor	-	-	-	-	-
	House mouse Major	-	-	-	-	-
	House mouse Minor	-	-	-	-	-

		Type of Property				
		Non-Agricultural				
		1 Local Authority	2 Dwelling Houses (Inc. Council Houses)	3 All Other (including Business Premises)	4 Total of Cols (1) (2) & (3)	5 Agricultural
V.	Total inspections carried out including re-inspections (To be completed only if figures are readily available)	-	-	-	-	-
VI.	Number of infested properties (in sections II III & IV treated by the L.A.)	5	88	12	105	-
VII.	Total treatments carried out including re-treatments (To be completed only if figures are readily available.	-	-	-	-	-
VIII.	Number of Notices served under Section 4 of the Act:	-	-	-	-	-
	(a) Treatment	-	-	-	-	-
	(b) Structural Work (i.e. proofing	-	-	-	-	-
IX.	Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issues of a notice under Sect. 4 of the Act.	-	-	-	-	-
X.	Legal Proceedings	-	-	-	-	-
X.I.	Number of "Block" control schemes carried out.	-				

### SMOKE ABATEMENT

14 time smoke observations were taken during the year.

No industrial smoke nuisances occurred during the year.

The Council had adopted a scheme to make the whole of the district smokeless in 15 years, but no action had been taken on this by the end of the year.

During the year the Council established a Smoke and Sulphur Dioxide Instrument at the Town Hall, Normanton, and I give below details obtained from the starting of the working of the instrument to the end of the year.

Month	Smoke Concentration Microgrammes per Cubic Metre			Sulphur Dioxide Concentration Microgrammes per Cubic Metre		
	Average Value	Highest Value	Lowest Value	Average Value	Highest Value	Lowest Value
February	329	764	130	329	500	163
March	251	452	112	358	434	214
April	173	532	40	296	404	151
May	143	300	16	219	303	63
June	80	172	8	156	434	65
July	106	284	40	151	277	77
August	101	220	40	158	251	121
September	187	464	84	207	268	115
October	233	684	136	220	266	172
November	245	396	108	211	261	133
December	250	490	84	174	257	127



## FOOD INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION

### MILK SUPPLY

The majority of the milk sold in Normanton is bottled pasteurised milk and bottled T.T. pasteurised milk from a large combine, and from two Co-operative Societies in neighbouring districts. There are also four licensed dealers in the supply of Tuberculin Tested (Raw) Milk.

No. of dealers	84
No. of dealers licenced to sell T.T.(raw) milk	4
No. of dealers licenced to sell (Past) Milk	14
No. of dealers licenced to sell Pasturised Milk	12
No. of dealers licenced to sell Sterilised Milk	76

The responsibility for the issue of milk licences previously issued by the Normanton Urban District Council now rests with the West Riding County Council.

Samples of milk were taken by the Public Health Inspector as follows:-

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
Pasteurised Milk		
Phosphatase Test	7	-
T. T. Pasteurised Milk	9	-
Sterilised	3	-
Tuberculin Tested	-	-
Biological Tests for Tuberculosis	-	-
Ordinary Milk	-	-

34 visits were made to licenced premises during the year.

We have no pasteurising plants in the district and our raw milk from farms goes to one of the neighbouring boroughs.

From an administrative point of view this renders any action to keep a check on the milk prior to pasteurisation impossible at local level.

No complaints were received during the year regarding the quality of milk delivered to the consumers and as can be seen from the above all samples taken by myself and my staff were satisfactory.

Samples taken by Officers of the West Riding County Council  
within the Area

	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
Milk	27	-
Drugs	-	-
Other Food	27	3

The Three unsatisfactory samples were as follows:-

- (1) one sample of Beef Sausage presence of preservative, not declared.
- (2) One sample of Pork Sausage meat content deficient.
- (3) One loaf with foreign body.

In the first two of the above cases, namely in respect of the sausages, cautions were issued by the Clerk of the County Council.

With respect to the loaf no action was taken, other than bringing the matter to the attention of the Manufacturers of the loaf.

ICE CREAM

78 premises are registered under the provisions of Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, 76 of these being retailers and 2 being producer-retailers. A total of 42 inspections were made to registered premises during the year. Of these 31 visits were made to registered premises and 11 to producer-retailers premises.

No. of samples taken 9

No. Satisfactory 9

These were graded as follows:- Grade I - 8  
Grade II - 1

MEAT INSPECTION

Two private slaughterhouses for which licences were granted served the district adequately during the year. In fact one of these slaughterhouses occupied by a firm of wholesalers served many neighbouring districts also for miles around.

Both these slaughterhouses are due to close when a neighbouring authority Castleford has built a municipal abattoir.

THE TWO PRIVATE SLAUGHTERHOUSES

Month	Cows	Bovines other than cows	Sheep	Pigs	Calves	Total
January	17	279	1,059	321	4	1680
February	14	288	994	434	1	1,730
March	4	338	764	492	-	1,598
April	1	252	504	438	-	1,195
May	4	302	446	436	-	1,188
June	14	326	859	311	1	1,511
July	13	256	875	297	+	1,441
August	13	274	1,206	285	-	1,776
September	14	279	1,554	353	-	2,200
October	15	286	1,887	375	17	2,580
November	21	301	2,682	471	1	3,476
December	17	246	1,684	542	-	2,489
Totals for the year	147	3,427	14,414	4,753	23	22,862



## DETAILS OF DISEASED ORGANS AND CARCASSES CONDEMNED

### Beef

Bovine carcasses and all viscera .....	-
Heads and tongues .....	11
Lungs .....	11
Hearts .....	2
Skirts .....	2
Livers .....	591
Part livers .....	313
Stomachs .....	-
Intestines .....	-
Kidneys .....	3
Udders .....	8
Spleens .....	-
Forequarters .....	2
Hindquarters .....	1
Frozen Beef .....	-
<u>Cysticercus Bovis</u> (Animals affected) .....	1

It is very pleasing to report no cases of cysticercus bovis during the year. It is to be hoped that this state of affairs will continue.

Groat diligence is of course continuing in this connection, and the facilities for refrigeration are always available.

### Pigs

Pig carcasses and organs .....	2
Heads .....	28
Lungs .....	324
Livers .....	281
Hearts .....	295
Stomachs and intestines .....	14
Kidneys .....	2
Pork Trimmings .....	1

### Sheep

Sheep carcasses and organs .....	3
Lungs .....	480
Hearts .....	480
Livers .....	320
Mutton trimmings .....	3
Total weight of Beef condemned .....	552 Lbs.
Total weight of Beef offal condemned .....	8,985 lbs.
Total weight of Pig carcass meat condemned .....	203 lbs.
Total weight of Pork offal condemned .....	2,428 Lbs.
Total weight of Mutton condemned .....	202 Lbs.

Total weight of Sheep offal condemned .....	1,010 lbs.
Total weight of Frozen Beef condemned .....	- -

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Total condemned.	13,380 Lbs.
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AMOUNT OF MEAT CONDEMNED FOR TUBERCULOSIS

Meat .....	-
Offal .....	122 Lbs.

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122 Lbs.

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During the year a total of 1781 visits were made to the two private slaughterhouses.

DISPOSAL OF CONDEMNED MEAT

All meat voluntarily surrendered to the Council who collected it from the slaughterhouses and disposed of it in their lorries to a fellmongering firm in the West Riding and thus the public health was adequately safeguarded.

During the year the Council sold this diseased meat and after ~~deducing~~ 20% for collection and disposal returned the remainder to individual butchers in the proportion of voluntary surrenderings made by them.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	3427	147	23	13306	4470	-
Number inspected	3427	147	23	13306	4470	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	1	-	-	3	4	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	14	48	-	191	315	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	6.44	32.65	-	1.46	7.1	-
<u>Tuberculosis Only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	33	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	0.738	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	1	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	1	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-



## FOOD PREMISES

A total of 1781 visits were paid to the two private slaughterhouses during the year. In addition 82 visits were made to butchers shops.

134 visits were made to other food shops together with 71 visits to food preparing premises.

### FOOD OTHER THAN MEAT CONDEMNED

	Cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
<u>Tinned Meats</u>				
2 tins of cooked pork shoulder.			20	2
3 tins of Jellied Veal		1	4	
3 tins of Pork Tenderloin			10	8
2 tins of Cooked Ham			27	3
5 tins of Chopped Pork			6	4
2 tins of Stewed Steak			11	8
4 tins of Ox Tongue			24	-
1 tin of Pressed beef			4	12
4 tins of Ham		3	21	5
6 tins of corned Beef		1	10	12
<u>Tinned vegetables</u>				
25 tins of tomatoes			16	14
2 tins of Peas			2	7
3 tins of Baked Beans			2	8
2 tins of Carrots			2	-
<u>Tinned Fruit</u>				
3 tins of pineapples			3	-
1 tin of grapefruit			1	4
1 tin of Cheerios				11
3 tins of Peaches			2	6
2 tins of pears			1	8
4 tins of raspberries			4	-
<u>Tinned fish</u>				
1 tin of Salmon				7 $\frac{3}{4}$
<u>Tinned Milk</u>				
2 tins of Evaporated milk				10
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Carried Forward	2	3	10	1 $\frac{3}{4}$

	Cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Brought forward	2	3	10	1 $\frac{3}{4}$
<u>Miscellaneous</u>				
Pork Sausage.		1	17	-
Cheshire Cheese				11 $\frac{1}{2}$
Ox Liver			29	
2 tins of soup			1	15
1 packet of shredded Wheat				8
1 Jar of jam			1	4
2 tins of coffee				4
1 tin of Sago			1	-
	3	4	5	11

#### FOOD AND DRUGS ADMINISTRATION

The list of foodshops in the district is as follows:-

Fish and chip shops .....	23
Butchers .....	36
Greengrocers (Retail) .....	17
Greengrocers (Wholesale and Stores) .....	5
Grocers .....	64
Mixed Businesses .....	39
Sweet and Tobacco .....	12
Confectioners .....	8
Bakehouses .....	8
Slaughterhouses .....	2
Snack bars and cafes .....	8

163 visits were made under the Act and the Clean Food Byelaws, as a result of which the following action was taken:-

No. of written informal notices served under the Act and Byelaws made thereunder .....	2
No. of cases in which verbal notice only was given .....	5

The following is a summary of the work carried out as a result of the above action.

Shop fronts repaired or renewed .....	1
Defective ceilings repaired or renewed .....	1
Defective floors repaired or renewed.....	1
Paved yards provided or re-laid .....	1
Sinks provided .....	1
Ventilation provided to shops, food-rooms etc.....	2
Hot water supply provided .....	2
Wash-hand basins provided .....	1
Soap and towels provided to shops, food-rooms etc .....	2
Walls of shops and food-rooms redecorated .....	4
Ceilings of shops and food-rooms redecorated .....	1
Glass show cases provided to shops .....	2
Other action taken to prevent contamination of food .....	2
Notices provided in Sanitary Conveniences regarding washing of hands .....	5
First-Aid materials provided .....	2
Provision of facilities for hanging clothes .....	2
Refrigerators provided .....	3

A close check was kept during the year on food delivery vans and the following is a summary of the work carried out as a result of the above action.

Proper washing facilities provided on delivery vans .....	2
Drivers cab screened from van to prevent contamination .....	1

No legal action was taken during the year.

#### INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND DISINFECTION

24 visits were made during the year to cases of infectious diseases and 8 disinfections were carried out after infectious diseases.

41 library and other books were disinfected during the year in the cabinet modified for this purpose.

Bedding was disinfected at the Sanitary and Cleansing Department, Castleford, the Council's van being used for transporting this.



### PESTOLOGY

The following 61 disinfestations were carried out to the houses shown, for the following reasons:-

Bugs .....	11
Woodbeetles ...	6
Blackclocks ...	24
Silverfish ....	6
Ants .....	4
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The Council now do not carry out Hydrogen Cyanide fumigation of furniture from Slum Clearance Houses, but to rely on D.D.T. instead where this was necessary.

### PETROLEUM ACTS

14 premises are licenced to store petroleum and all these have underground tanks.

### WEST RIDING COUNTY COUNCIL GENERAL POWERS ACT, 1951

26 hairdressers and barbers were registered under the above Act at the end of the year, as also were 24 food hawkers and 5 food hawkers premises.

The total number of visits made for the purpose of the Act was  
49

### RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT

#### AND REGULATIONS 1951.

No. of premises registered under the Act .....	1
No. of premises licenced for manufacture or storage for distribution of such materials .....	Nil
No. of visits made under the Act during the year .....	3
No. of samples taken .....	Nil

No cautions were issued and no prosecutions were made.

## PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

Two pet shops are licenced under the above Act, one in respect of birds and goldfish and the other in respect of birds, goldfish and tortoises. Seven visits were made during the year when it was found that the requirements of the Act were being complied with.

## PUBLIC CLEANSING SERVICE

The Council is responsible for all refuse collection and disposal and for the collection and subsequent disposal of salvage.

### (1) Refuse Storage

The following are the types of receptacles in use at the end of the year:-

Dustbins .....	6934
Privy Middens .....	5
Pail Closets .....	14

Galvanised dustbins recommended and sold by the department are the 2½ cubic feet B.S.S. bins galvanised after manufacture.

The privy middons and pail closets mentioned above are unfortunately beyond the reach of the sewer.

### (2) Refuse Collection Service

The following table gives the number and types of receptacles cleansed:-

Dustbins .....	35806
Privy Middens .....	331
Pail Closets .....	986

Collections take place at weekly intervals.

### (3) Transport

Two S/D 16 cubic yard Fore and Aft Tippers, a Karrier Bantam 10 cubic yard Dual Tip Refuse Collector and a Karrier Bantam 7 cubic yard side loader were in use.

(4) Staff

Drivers .....	4
Ashmen .....	14
Tipmen .....	1
Salvage man .....	1

Our Salvage bonus helped to supplement the wages of the workmen besides providing a worth while service and ensuring a good collection of salvage.

REFUSE DISPOSAL

The method of refuse disposal is by controlled tipping and the number of loads tipped was 2801 split up as follows:-

Snydale Tip	680
Newland Tip	2041
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Snydale tip continued to render useful service.  
The new tip at Newland was very useful and this again is more or less centrally situated.

Normanton is a mining district and the tonnage of refuse obtained is in consequence very high. It is interesting in this connection to note that due to the increasing number of all night burning grates, very often the residue was placed in the dustbin in a very hot condition and on many occasions it was necessary to slake the refuse in the dustbin with water before it could be loaded into the lorry so as to prevent ignition of the combustibles, such as paper, in the refuse. This can be a serious matter as it is a potential source of tip fires. There was one tip fire during the year.

More and more new household goods of all kinds are being pre-packed often in materials which have no salvage value such as polythene. These packages and containers accumulate at the tips in large quantities and add to the problem of refuse disposal particularly during the summer months when the ash content is low and proportion of paper is high.



## SALVAGE

The materials salvaged are waste paper, rags, rugs and carpets.

The following are the figures for the financial year showing the amounts of salvageable materials collected and the cash obtained:-

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	£.	s.	d.
<u>Waste Paper</u>							
April - June	46	10	-	-	360	7	6.
July - September	28	16	2	-	223	7	10.
October - December	39	10	-	-	306	2	6.
January - March	41	9	-	-	321	4	9.
	156	5	2	-	1211	2	7.

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	£.	s.	d.
<u>Rags</u>							
April - June		10	2	2	8	8	3.
July - September		6	3	14	5	10	-.
October - December		7	2	24	6	3	5.
January - March		6	1	21	5	3	0.
	1	11	2	5	25	4	8

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	£.	s.	d.
<u>Rugs &amp; Carpets</u>							
April - June		2	3	4		5	7.
July - September	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
October - December		12	3	18		8	9.
January - March		1	3	-		5	3.
		17	1	22		19	7.

	Tons	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	£.	s.	d.
<u>Condemned Offal</u>							
April - June	1	7	1	-	6	16	3.
July - September	1	18	3	-	9	13	9.
October - December	2	2	2	-	10	17	6.
January - March	1	10	2	-	7	12	6.
	6	19	0	0	35	0	0

<u>Condemned Meat</u>	Tons.	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	£.	s.	d.
April - June		3	0	7	2	7	11.
July - September		4	1	26	3	7	3.
October - December		2	3	14	2	3	1.
January - March		8	-	-	6	0	0.
		18	1	19	13	18	3.

TOTAL SALVAGE REVENUE

	Tons.	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.	£.	s.	d.
Waste paper	156	5	2	-	1211	2.	7.
Rags	1	11	2	5	25	4.	8.
Rugs & Carpets		17	1	22		19	7.
Condemned Meat		18	1	19	13	18	3.
Condemned Offal	6	19	-	-	35	0	0.
	166	11	3	18	1286	5.	1.

In any business, and the manufacture of board from waste paper is no exception, there are bound to be periodical fluctuations in demand but in spite of this our collection and sales have been maintained fairly well.

For an authority of this size of Normanton our Salvage figures are second to none, and we can be justly proud of the efforts of our workmen.

URBAN DISTRICT OF NORMANTON

DETAILS OF REFUSE COLLECTION, DISPOSAL AND SALVAGE COSTS

1st APRIL, 1963 - 31st MARCH, 1964

	£.	s.	d.
Haulage Costs for Vehicles, including Drivers' Wages	5,430	-	-
Operational Wages, Superannuation and National Insurance - Loaders, Tip Men, Baling Shed and Salvage	10,525	-	-
Standard Proportion of General Administrative Charges	1,200	-	-
Loan Charges	33	-	-
Tools, baling wire and general repairs	484	-	-
Electricity	47	-	-
Protective Clothing	116	-	-
Fighting possible Tip fires	253	-	-
Rents payable	130	-	-
Fox tip levelling and soiling	300	-	-
	18,518	-	-
Less Salvage Receipts, gross	1,286	-	-
	£17,232	-	-



## CONCLUSION

This report would be incomplete were I not to express appreciation of the work of the staff in my department, in particular Mr. J. A. Lindsay the Additional Public Health Inspector, also Mr. B. Cahill, the Pupil Public Health Inspector, and Mrs. J. Moss the department's Clerk and Typist. The staff members have worked well during the year and deserve all the praise that can be given them. Mrs. J. Moss left towards the end of the year for family reasons.

May I also take this opportunity of thanking the workmen in my department, the Medical Officer of Health, the Members of the Council collectively and individually and heads and individual members of other departments of the Council for their help and assistance during the year.

I am,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

*F. Wilson.*

Senior Public Health Inspector.

## APPENDIX

### FACTORIES ACT, 1937 to 1959

Details regarding the above Act are included on pages  
2/12, 2/13, and 2/14.







